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1. Association de l'intervention pour les mères

Special, 2012

Introduction

The Association de l'intervention pour les mères (AIM) is a non-governmental organization committed to improving maternal and child's health in Mali.

Aims and purposes of the organization

AIM aims to ensure that maternal and child mortality are reduced and universal access to reproductive health is raised through family planning, pre- and postnatal care and reproductive health improvement initiatives.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In 2012, AIM conducted its maternal health campaign and served as a panel member during the "Better life for Women campaign in the 21st century" addressing HIV/AIDS as a source of conflict and its impact on women and girls, hosted at Columbia University, New York. In 2013, it engaged in a conference on maternal mortality reduction in an event hosted by UNICEF and the African Union Mission to the United Nations. In 2015, it organized the Fifth Maternal health campaign calling to action against maternal mortality through a 24-hour emergency care by receiving mothers in labour and in urgent obstetric cases as in abortion.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

AIM actively participated in the following meetings in New York: the 61st session of the Committee on the Rights of the Child organized on 26 and 27 September 2012; the 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 60th session of the Commission on the Status of Women; the 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th and 70th summit of the General Assembly and; the 5th Session of the Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals from 25 to 27 November.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

AIM advocates for the end of violence against women by campaigning in "Say no to violence against women" organized by United Nations Women. AIM collaborated with UNICEF for a fundraising event at the United Nations Headquarters on 13 June 2013 in New York.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

AIM contributed to MDG 4 and 5 to address child mortality improving maternal health through the construction of a maternity hospital in Mali where 446 patients were given free medical treatments.

2. Cancer Aid Society

Special, 2012

Introduction

Since 1987, Cancer Aid Society (CAS) has been active in various locations in India.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CAS seeks to align itself with the guidelines of National Cancer Control Programme of World Health Organization (WHO) by generating awareness amongst children and adults and making information on the prevention of cancer, early detection and means to improve the quality of life through palliative care accessible in various regional languages of India.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In commemoration of the Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD) Awareness Day on 8 December every year, CAS organized countrywide campaigns on prevention and control of NCDs. It has received national and international recognition on its initiatives to combat cancer and tobacco control such as the "Best Cancer Awareness Program" in December 2013 and "Best NGO in Health care" at Giving Back Corporate Social Responsibilities and NGO Awards in December 2015.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

CAS attended the high level meeting to discuss prevention and assessment of non-communicable diseases at the United Nations on 19 and 20 September 2011 and 11 to 14 July 2014, respectively. As a registered member of the Global Coordination Mechanism on non-communicable diseases, CAS participated in key events hosted by the World Health Organization (WHO) including a dialogue event on 20 and 21 April 2015 in Geneva, Switzerland and a meeting on 9 July 2015 in New Delhi, India.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

CAS has contributed to the MDGs by addressing issues of global health, including the launch of important initiatives such as the "NCD Express" and "NCD Globe".

3. Global Hand

Special, 2008

Introduction

Global Hand (GH) is an international non-profit brokerage organization that facilitates public and private partnerships.

Aims and purposes of the organization

GH brings together entities addressing global issues including for-profit and non-profit organisations, foundations, trusts, governments and diplomats and facilitates partnerships in, inter alia: social entrepreneurship; philanthropy; disaster response; poverty alleviation; microcredit; job creation; guidelines/best practice; sustainable development; corporate social responsibility; humanitarian aid; fair trade; and corporate volunteering.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In support of the United Nations High Level Coalition for Global Education, GH ensured that the website it built for the United Nations in 2010 (business.un.org) reflects major developments which would in turn help businesses partner with the United Nations. At the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development held on 20 to 22 June 2012 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, GH launched the 'Commitments Platform' through which companies could express their commitment to sustainable development. In 2012, 282 companies made formal commitments towards sustainability, including Microsoft, Nike, Philips, Unilever, KPMG, Dell and Glaxo Smith Kline. GH launched an updated version of the website during the United Nations Global Compact Leaders' Summit on 19 to 20 September 2013 in New York. In 2014, GH integrated support from the business sector in response to the Ebola crisis, in coordination with the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and the United Nations Mission for Ebola Emergency Response (UNMEER). In 2015, GH realigned the website with the Sustainable Development Goals, which was launched at the United Nations Private Sector Forum, convened by the Global Compact, on 26 September 2015 in New York.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the:

- United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, 20 to 22 June 2012 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil;
- Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction in Geneva, on 19 to 23 May 2013 Switzerland; and
- United Nations Global Compact Leaders' Summit on 19 to 20 September 2013 in New York City.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In 2012, GH co-authored a brochure with the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction to appeal to businesses through a 12 point plan for resilience.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

GH facilitates strategic partnerships between businesses and charities that support the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Charities working on issues covering income generation for the poor, HIV/AIDS, maternal health care, primary education, nutrition and food security have benefited from partnerships facilitated by GH.

4. International Catholic Child Bureau

Special, 1952

Introduction

The International Catholic Child Bureau (ICCB) is an international Catholic network.

Aims and purposes of the organization

It aims to promote and protect the dignity and rights of the child as stipulated in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

ICCB has consistently provided recommendations to various reports including the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) and ensured systematic monitoring and follow-up reports of Chile, Democratic Republic of Congo, Kazakhstan, Ivory Coast, Peru and Togo. It also contributed to reports of the UNCRC on Colombia, the Russian Federation and Chile and to the report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on violence against children. Moreover, ICCB has produced diverse publications to strengthen capacities of human rights defenders.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

ICCB organized 10 side events, submitted 18 written communications and delivered 66 oral statements between 2013 and 2015, and participated in the 19th, 25th, 26th and 27th session of the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

ICCB cooperates extensively with United Nations bodies to include partnering with the Office of the United Nations High Commission for Human Rights (OHCHR) to organize the panel on the "Human rights of children of parents sentenced to the death penalty or executed" in September 2013. It has further

developed strong ties with UNICEF in garnering financial support for the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Mali and Togo. It organized a side event on restorative justice at the HRC in September 2013 in collaboration with the United Nations Office on Drug and Crime (UNODC) and partnered with UNESCO to support projects titled "The Community: School without Walls" in Paraguay and "Campaña del Buentrato" in Guatemala, Argentina and Chile.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

ICCB contributed to MDGs 1 and 2 by collaborating with partners to: help more than 300 children to gain access to schools in Argentina; support the recovery process of 2,500 abused children in Cambodia; deploy 19 community nurseries to provide care for 150 children in India; and support the education of 400 working children in Paraguay.

5. IUS PRIMI VIRI International Association

Special, 2004

Introduction

IUS PRIMI VIRI International Association (IPV) mainly conducts activities in the field of human rights education.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The main aim of IPV is human rights education together with advancement of women, sustainable development and peace education through meetings, courses, seminars and information dissemination.

Significant changes in the organization

On 12 November 2012 IPV was listed in the Italian register of volunteer organizations in the Lazio Region of Italy.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

IPV submitted oral and written statements during substantive sessions of the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). It organized a side event on "Human Rights Education and Information to Defeat Violence" during the 58th session of the Commission on the Status of Women in 2013. On 22 November 2015, together with the Centre for Human Rights of Jinane University, IPV organized a meeting on the role of national institutions in the promotion and protection of human rights in Tripoli, Lebanon. IPV also submitted a written statement to the 54th Session of the Commission for Social Development on 1 December 2015.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

IPV participated in several ordinary and special substantive sessions of ECOSOC and the Human Rights Council. On 27 September 2012, it participated in a side event convened by Ministers from the Italian and Jordanian Ministries of Foreign Affairs on civil society and human rights education as a tool to promote

religious tolerance organized during the General Assembly in New York. IPV also participated in the 57th and 58th session of the Commission on the Status of Women in 2013 and 2014 as well as the 52nd Commission for Social Development in 2014. In 2015, IPV attended the European Civil Society Forum and the preparatory meetings in corollary to the Bejing+20 conference.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

IPV took initiatives in Italy and the Mediterranean area to promote intercultural dialogue, improve communication as well as advance women's empowerment. On 12 November 2012, IPV organized a round table titled: "Let's Build Peace through Human Rights Education: a Project for the Mediterranean". From 29 April to 1 May 2014, IPV participated in the 13th Mediterranean Congress of Business and Professional Women on an event titled "Economic Empowerment and Entrepreneurship Promotion for Women and Youth and support of small and medium enterprises and post 2015 Development Agenda" in Cairo, Egypt.

6. Lawyers without Borders

Special, 2004

Introduction

Lawyers Without Borders (LWB) conducts projects in or related to the following countries and regions: Cameroon, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Liberia, Namibia, Nepal, Rwanda, Tanzania, and the Middle East, Latin American and Caribbean region.

Aims and purposes of the organization

LWB aims to protect the integrity of judicial processes worldwide by harnessing and channelling pro bono volunteer services of lawyers and judges from around the world into rule of law programming. Its objectives are achieved through development of programs that support transparency, capacity building, conflict resolution, access to justice, and service to the underserved in the thematic areas of corruption, human trafficking, inheritance and succession rights and gender violence.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

LWB regularly attends meetings organized by the United Nations Economic and Social Council, Committee on Human Rights, Department of Public Information/Non-Governmental Organization and the High Commissioner for Refugees. LWB also launched a new project partnership with Winrock International which entails a comprehensive legislative analysis of child labour laws in eight

countries. LWB invested in a new e-training program through Thomson Reuters where videos are used as teaching tools for prosecutors and judges that were tried successfully in the Liberia in-country Human Trafficking projects.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

LWB participated in the 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th sessions on the Commission on the Status of Women and led an exercise along with Yale University titled "In my shoes" based on women facing work place sexual advances. In 2014, representatives also attended the 65th DPI/NGO conference where it convened a workshop showcasing different methods for teaching conflict resolution and the 15th Annual Comparative Human Rights Conference at University of Connecticut where it presented educational material. In 2012, LWB attended the session on how NGOs can use social media to create impact and eradicate poverty on 20 January and the High Level Panel on Sustainability on 6 February in New York; it also partook in a briefing on the Social Forum of the Human Rights Council on 4 July in Geneva, Switzerland.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

LWB contributed to MDG 2 through projects addressing child labour in Nepal as well as universal primary education for children. It supported MDG 3 aimed at promoting gender equality and empowering women through its "Support Through Trial" advocacy training in Liberia, Ghana, and Kenya on subjects including domestic violence, murder, rape, bribery, human trafficking, divorce and juvenile crime.

7. Movement for the Protection of the African Child

Special, 2012

Introduction

Movement for the Protection of African Child (MOPOTAC) was established in 1991 to achieve social justice, equity and good governance by promoting and protecting social, economic and rights of children and young persons in Nigeria and Africa. It works to achieve these through research, education, litigation in national courts, legislative advocacy, publication and networking.

Aims and purposes of the organization

MOPOTAC aims include to: promote, protect and defend legal rights and liberty of children and young persons under the constitution and international legal instrument; promote welfare, education, political interest, social and economic rights of children and young persons in Africa; promote the adoption and application of bills, charters and conventions; to oppose subversive legislation and adverse traditional/cultural practices affecting the interest and positive development of children and young persons; and to collaborate with local, national and international non-governmental organizations with similar aims and objectives.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

MOPOTAC organized seminars and workshops in churches, schools and public places to end child abuse. It also convened workshops on pre- and post-disaster management and rescue in collaboration with the International Federation of the Red Cross.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

In 2014, MOPOTAC participated in the 57th session on the Commission for Narcotic Drugs held on 13 and 14 March and the 7th session of the conference of the parties to the United Nations convention against transnational organized crime on 6 to 10 October in Vienna, Austria.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In adherence to United Nations conventions, MOPOTAC cooperated with United Nations bodies on human rights, human trafficking and drugs through its campaigns. It further collaborated with United Nations Habitat for housing and with the United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) to improve science education through funding and scholarships.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

MOPOTAC initiatives include granting scholarships to combat illiteracy and support the agricultural sector for eradicating hunger and increasing food security.

8. Peacebuilding Solutions

Special, 2012

Introduction

Peacebuilding Solutions (PS) is an innovative non-governmental organization (NGO) with a unique humanitarian aid model that focuses on community based solutions by allowing the specific needs of communities to dictate aid delivery.

Aims and purposes of the organization

PS aims to redefine current practices in humanitarian aid by focusing on accountability and community empowerment as their main driving principles. Its main purpose is to provide internally displaced persons (IDPs) and refugees with self-sustaining resolutions for recovery in order to promote dignity, empowerment, and sustainable long-term recovery methods.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

PS has contributed to the work of the United Nations by providing community based humanitarian aid to IDP families living in Haiti, through innovative approaches to peace building. By communicating with local leaders and utilizing existing local infrastructure to provide aid and stimulate local economy, PS promotes a streamlined and effective approach to finding long term and self-sustaining peace building solutions in post conflict areas or natural disaster zones, which exemplifies their dedication to upholding and expanding upon the United Nations Economic and Social Council's (ECOSOC) mandate in the realm of post-conflict peacebuilding.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

PS has contributed to the overall international discussion of refugees, Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), and humanitarian aid by attending conferences such as the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) annual NGO Consultations in Geneva, Switzerland from 2012 to 2014 and 57th and 58th session of the Commission on the Status of Women in 2013 and 2014.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

PS's work aims to address the MDGs as a whole but has specifically contributed to MDGs 1 and 3 by responding to community needs to combat extreme poverty and hunger through innovative initiatives ranging from rainwater collection systems, gravity water filtration systems, procuring agricultural tools and tarps to the provision of school supplies, soccer balls and shoes for children. PS also promoted genuine and empathetic dialogue on solutions to IDP communities in Haiti.

9. Peace Operation Training Institute

Special, 2012

Introduction

The Peace Operations Training Institute (POTI) provides globally accessible, self-paced, online, on-demand courses on peace support, humanitarian relief and security operations.

Aims and purposes of the organization

POTI uses e-learning to deliver essential, practical knowledge to military personnel, police, and civilians serving United Nations peacekeeping missions worldwide to train peacekeepers be better prepared to perform their duties and achieve success on missions.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The professionalism of United Nations peacekeepers worldwide has been enhanced through study of POTI's courses. Between 2012 and 2015, 38,661 military personnel, police, and civilians currently serving on UN peacekeeping missions enrolled in 50,407 POTI courses. During this same period a total of 321,416 enrolments were provided to personnel worldwide who were preparing to serve on missions or needed to learn more about serving on missions. POTI offered 22,098 free courses to 4,514 serving peacekeepers in 2014 and a further 13,855 free courses to 2,300 serving peacekeepers in 2015. POTI e-learning on peacekeeping is currently used by 30 national peacekeeping training centres worldwide.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The Executive Director of POTI regularly meetings with Secretariat staff at the United Nations Headquarters to ensure consistency of staff development, aims and content of courses.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

POTI worked with the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS) to release their course "Mine Action and Explosive Hazard Management: Humanitarian Impact, Technical Aspects, and Global Initiatives". With the Ebola outbreak in December 2013, POTI partnered with the World Health Organization (WHO) to produce "Ebola Virus Disease: Awareness and Precautions for Peacekeeping Personnel" which enrolled over 2,500 students. POTI partnered with United Nations Women to develop three courses on implementation of Security Council Resolutions on Women, Peace and Security, as well as a course on preventing violence against women. It also partnered with the peacekeeping training centres of Australia, Chile, Germany, Ghana, and Sweden to jointly develop the course "Core Pre-deployment Training Materials (CPTMs)".

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

POTI supported MDG 3 by developing course materials specifically focusing on gender equality and empowerment of women.

10. People's Solidarity for Participatory Democracy

Special, 2004

Introduction

Since its establishment in 1994, People's Solidarity for Participatory Democracy (PSPD) has been committed to democracy and human rights. Comprised of activists and experts stemming from varied backgrounds, PSPD monitors the abuse of legislative, executive and judicial bodies, advocates new policies and promotes and protects basic rights of people through public litigation and public campaign.

Aims and purposes of the organization

PSPD aims to solidify the people's movement for peace and reunification of the Korean peninsula, and intensify international solidarity activities to promote and protect human rights and enhance democracy in Asia. PSPD is also committed to monitoring the Republic of Korea's Official Development Assistance (ODA) to neighbouring Asian countries.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

PSPD has submitted written and oral statements to the United Nations Human Rights Council on issues related to human rights, freedom of opinion and expression, peaceful assembly, and illegal surveillance. It also contributed to the report of non-governmental organizations to the United Nations Human Rights Committee and documents related to the de-nuclearization of the Korean peninsula.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

PSPD regularly participates in meetings of United Nations Human Rights Council and organizes side events within its framework.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

PSPD is the coordinator of the South Korean network of non-governmental organizations which actively raises civil society views through the United Nations human rights mechanisms and jointly coordinated the visit of the Special Rapporteur to South Korea.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

In order to contribute to a global partnership for development (MDG 8), PSPD monitored the South Korean Government's Official Development Assistance (ODA) policy and implementation processes and put forward suggestions for improvement.

11. Release Legal Emergency and Drugs Service

Special, 2012

Introduction

Founded in 1967, Release Legal Emergency and Drugs Service Limited (RLEDS) is the national centre of expertise on drugs and drug laws in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland which provides free legal services to drug users, particularly youth from minority ethnic communities, who are disproportionately impacted by drugs policing.

Aims and purposes of the organization

RLEDS provides free non-judgmental, expert advice and information to the public and professionals on issues related to drug use and drug laws. Through its advocacy, RLEDS works to end the criminalisation of drug users and bring about knowledge and awareness of drug laws to decrease human rights abuses in minority communities.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization submitted evidence to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the drug situation in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in 2015. It also provided evidence to Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on the impact of policing on black communities in 2011.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Between 2012 and 2015, RLEDS participated in the 55th, 56th, 57th and 58th session on the United Nations Commission on Narcotic Drugs in Vienna, Austria.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

RLEDS assisted OHCHR in obtaining personal testimonies on the impact of drug policy as it intersects with human rights abuses in the United Kingdom.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

RLEDS supported MDG 6 on combating HIV/AIDS through advocacy in evidence-based drug policies that ensure the scaling up of harm reduction services such as needle syringe exchange programmes and opioid substitution therapy, which have proven efficacy in tackling the spread of HIV.

12. Women's General Association of Macau

Special, 2008

Introduction

The Women's General Association of Macau (WGAM) was established in 1950 as a non-profit making social services organization.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aims of WGAM are to promote the unity of women of the Macau Special Administrative Region (SAR) of China and to safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of women and children.

Significant changes in the organization

WGAM currently has 29,622 individual members, an increase of 4,880 since 2012.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

WGAM has contributed actively to the "Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women" by urging local governments to finalize the law for the Prevention of Domestic Violence. It advocated for the granting of five days of paid paternity leave and to extend the statutory maternity leave for the rights and interests of women and children, along with encouraging women participation in political affairs. WGAM was elected as a member of the Legislative Assembly of Macau SAR of China in 2013 to strive for and defend the rights and interests of women and children.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the 56th, 57th, 58th and 59th sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women in New York, and provided statements during related conferences between 2013 and 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

MDG 1: WGAM provided assistance to poor community members as a result of natural disasters. It also runs a charity to support groups in China and was given special recognition by the National Women's Association of China in 2015.

MDG 2: In 2012 to 2014, WGAM held annual campaigns to promote laws for women and achieve gender equality. These campaigns enabled participants to be informed about the regulations and laws on protecting women's rights. Additionally, it offered a training course on international affairs for youth and women.

MDG 5: In 2012, WGAM initiated a counselling services programme for the residents of Macau SAR of China and where are offered free cervical screening tests.

MDG 6: WGAM held a series of HIV/AIDS prevention activities in different communities during 2013 and 2015 aimed at making youngsters and citizens aware of AIDS, self-protection and prevention methods.

MDG 8: WGAM partnered with women's organizations in other Asian countries to exchange ideas on topics about women's development in the future.

13. Women's Health and Education Center

Special, 2008

Introduction

Women's Health and Education Center (WHEC) is dedicated to women's health and well-being worldwide by improving educational and health of women, particularly in developing countries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

WHEC aims to make evidence-based medicine available to the global community by addressing everyday healthcare issues in the languages of the United Nations.

Significant changes in the organization

The organization has undergone a change in contact details.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

WHEC has published over 330 articles which were accessed by 13 million visitors in 227 countries. In 2014 and 2015, WHEC submitted statements to the High-level Segment of the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization attended the following meetings:

- United Nations Foundation "Every woman every child" on 20 September 2011, New York;
- 56th session of the Commission on the Status of Women, 27 February to 9 March 2012;
- ECOSOC Annual Ministerial Review on Science, technology and innovation (STI) and culture for sustainable development and the MDGs, July 1 to 4, 2013, Geneva, Switzerland;
- High-level segment and side meetings at the 69th United Nations General Assembly, 25 September 2014, New York
- Side event on "Saving Lives, Protecting Futures," 10 March 2015 in New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

WHEC launched an e-learning project in collaboration with the Department of Public Information of the United Nations on 24 October 2002. This platform is an open access journal in women's health and is accessed in the USA and in 187 countries and territories. WHEC is also a member of the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH) administered by the World Health Organization (WHO).

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

WHEC is developing e-Health educational programs in support of the "Every Woman Every Child" initiative in close collaboration with a broad range of stakeholders. To meet this goal, WHEC is scaling up essential interventions through the following three priority actions: evidence-based country plans; transparency and mutual accountability; and global communication and social mobilization.

14. World Heart Federation

Special, 2012

Introduction

Founded in 1946, the World Heart Federation (WHF) is committed to preventing and controlling heart disease and strokes in all regions of the world.

Aims and purposes of the organization

WHF is dedicated to combating cardiovascular diseases and envisions a world free from preventable cardiovascular diseases with access to effective, affordable and safe preventative methods.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

WHF advocated for the landmark United Nations High Level Meeting on Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) in 2011 and contributed to the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Action Plan of 2013-2020, the WHO Global Monitoring Framework and Global Coordinating Mechanism. WHF has orientated its work around supporting the inclusion of cardiovascular diseases and NCDs into the post-2015 development agenda. WHF continues to engage and advise the Inter-Agency Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDG) via open consultations regarding appropriate SDG indicators for heart disease. WHF has published a suite of communications about the global development agenda, including two online advocacy toolkits on cardiovascular diseases and sustainable development.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

WEF regularly attends and delivers statements at key meetings organized by the World Health Organization (WHO) and meetings in relation to the Global Coordinating and the World Health Assembly. Representatives have attended the following meetings:

- High-level meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs), 10 and 11 July 2014, New York;
- 6th session of the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, 13 to 18 October 2014, Geneva, Switzerland;

- Third International Conference on Financing for Development, 13 to 16 July 2015, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia;
- United Nations summit for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda, 25 to 27 September 2015, New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

WHF collaborates closely with the World Health Organization (WHO) to address cardiovascular disease and recently launched its 2015-2018 work plan. In 2014, WHF advised the "Be He@lthy Be Mobile campaign" run jointly by WHO and International Telecommunications Unit (ITU) which uses mobile phone technology to tackle non-communicable diseases, including heart disease. WHF supported a side event on innovative financing for health and NCDs during the 3rd International Conference on Financing for Development, and engaged with the United Nations Envoy on Youth on addressing the global health workforce.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

WHF supported the following MDGs: MDG 3 through its "Go Red for Women" campaign focusing on gender and health; MDG 4 by convening World Heart Day themes focusing on health children; MDG 5 by conducting how rheumatic heart disease impacts maternal health; and MDG 8 by focusing on partnerships with low and middle income countries.

15. World Hunger Year

Special, 2012

Introduction

World Hunger Year (WHY) is a grassroots support organization working to end hunger and poverty by mobilizing resources, building capacity and collaborating with grassroots organizations and NGOs.

Aims and purposes of the organization

WHY helps to build networks of grassroots organizations and knit together social movements that share a vision of healthy, sustainable communities leading to greater mobilization and stronger advocacy to realize an end to poverty and hunger. Additionally it: mobilizes and builds capacity of organizations, communities, and funders invested in food justice and food sovereignty in the United States of America (USA) and the global south and strengthen international solidarity; supports grassroots leaders to invest directly in local communities; supports emergency food providers to improve their capacity to source, prepare and distribute healthy and nutritious food to their clients; and works at the intersection of racial justice, public health, environmental and climate justice, and economic justice.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

WHY carried out a variety of initiatives which contributed to the work of the United Nations including organizing the People's Climate Tribunal in September 2015 and providing travel grants to civil society organizations to participate in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP21) in Paris, France in December 2015. As a member of the United Nations group on food and nutrition, it supported agricultural and food security issues and provided over $1 million in grants to organizations developing agro-ecology and sustainable food production in the United States and in over 40 countries in the global south. In 2012, WHY partnered with like-minded NGOs to organize an event in New York for grassroots organizations to share information following the Rio+20 United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives attended the Rio+20 United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development held from 20 to 22 June 2012 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. As a civil society representative on World Food Security (CFS) and Civil Society Mechanisms, its representatives also attended the post-2015 Development Agenda for civil society in 2014.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

WHY collaborated with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) in Washington, D.C. to organize the World Food Day in the United States and collaborated with the Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food to provide remarks at the Food Sovereignty Prize on 10 October 2012 in New York.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

WHY contributed to MDG 1 by providing grants exceeding $1 million to grassroots organizations to implement initiatives in support of the "right to food, food sovereignty and agroecology" to end hunger and poverty. WHY supported MDGs 3 and 7 by implementing the World March of Women and various initiatives targeting environmental sustainability.

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1. Agence pour le développement intégré au Congo

Special, 2012

Introduction

The Agence pour le développement intégré au Congo (ADIC) is a non-governmental organization created to reduce poverty and address pandemic health threats.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization's main tasks are to provide social support to vulnerable persons, including women and children; to combat poverty by facilitating access to food and housing; to promote education in sustainable management of the environment; to preserve and protect biodiversity, including through erosion and pollution control, reforestation and environmental sanitation; and to help finance cooperative associations through development projects for young people.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

This organization has done considerable development work in the province of Lubumbashi, including the construction of paediatric health centres and elementary and middle schools; training for unemployed youth in agriculture and stockbreeding; provision of assistance to vulnerable persons; training for members in income-generating activities; and training for girls in garment-making.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

ADIC contributed to the achievement of Millennium Development Goals 1, 2, 4 and 6, including through the production and distribution of agricultural and fish products; programmes for 1,030 students in two schools; health care for 8,253 children under the age of 5 years in paediatric centres; psychosocial support for 2,669 persons with or affected by HIV/AIDS; and participation in the observance of International Women's Day in 2014 and 2015, in which thousands of women took part.

2. Al Zubair Charity Foundation

Special, 2008

Introduction

Established in 1998, Al Zubair Charitable Foundation (AZCF) is a non-governmental organization based in Sudan.

Aims and purposes of the organization

ACZF aims to support communities in need, including women and children by: providing relief aid to people affected by crises; promoting sustainable livelihoods; advocating with policy makers to improve the capacity of communities to manage their natural resources; and promoting the culture of peace, peace building and conflict resolution.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In coordination with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), AZCF organized an awareness workshop on social violence in the Blue Nile State which was attended by 260 participants representing 20 localities, civil society organizations, women and youth unions, child rights organizations and community leaders. ZCF coordinated with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) to distribute clothes in a refugee camp in Khartoum State.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

ZCF regularly attended sessions of the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva as well as meetings of the Commission on the Status of Women in New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

ZCF established a clinic to provide free medical services in North Khartoum and organized an awareness workshop on nutrition and early detection of breast cancer. ZCF also organized a voluntary work day to combat smoking and drug use in partnership with the Hayat Life Center for treatment and psychological rehabilitation.

3. Association pour le développement de la société civile angolaise

Special, 2012

Introduction

The Association pour le développement de la société civile angolaise (ADSCA) is a non-profit organization that works to promote human rights and build community capacity through development projects.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The organization seeks to inform and raise awareness in communities about civic education and the promotion of human rights through campaigns and the translation of treaties and through discussions with public and private officials, traditional authorities and national organizations.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

ADSCA has conducted civic education and human rights campaigns, advocacy for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and community capacity-building activities. In addition, the organization has provided the necessary support to refugee detention and reception centres.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

ADSCA has observer status with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

ADSCA has focused its activities mainly on supporting the development programme through awareness-raising and promotion. The organization regularly observes Human Rights Day, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women and World Refugee Day.

4. Captive Daughters

Special, 2012

Introduction

Captive Daughters (CD) is California's first anti-sex trafficking non-profit organization and actively conducts programs, events and publishes books on human and sex trafficking.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CD considers that trafficking educational outreach is best attained through creative media such as, YouTube, documentaries and feature films on human rights subjects and accordingly modified its mission statement to "activism through creative media", which extends its purview to human rights.

Significant changes in the organization

Between 2013 and 2014 the organization reorganized itself as Captive Daughters Films.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

From 2010 to 2013 the organization featured a United Nations website dealing with trafficking and widows. Since 2013 the organization has produced YouTube situation reports on countries affected by trafficking and is currently developing a feature film on human trafficking in Nepal and a documentary on the cluster bombs in Laos following the Viet Nam War.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Captive Daughters attended the 57th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women held on April 15, 2013 in New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

No activities were specified.

5. Carter Center

Special, 2008

Introduction

The Carter Center (TCC), in partnership with Emory University, is committed to advancing human rights and alleviating human suffering around the world.

Aims and purposes of the organization

TCC wages peace, fights disease and builds hope by engaging with governments and working with often forgotten people.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

TCC submitted election observation reports to the United Nations Treaty Bodies in 2014 and 2015. A part of the ACE Project Steering Board committee, TCC to the ACE Electoral Knowledge Network, a collaborative including the United Nations Development Programme(UNDP) and the United Nations Electoral Assistance Division. TCC also worked with the United Nations Department of Political Affairs, Office of Special Envoy, and the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) on governance and constitutional options for Syria. Led by TCC, a coalition including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, United Nations Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), and the World Health Organization (WHO) provided technical and financial assistance to national Guinea Worm Eradication Programs in Chad, Ethiopia, Mali, Sudan and South Sudan. TCC's Mental Health Program in Liberia trains national workforce and healthcare providers on the WHO's Mental Health Gap Action Programme.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

In 2015, TCC submitted its Annual Human Rights Defenders Forum report as input for the Global Study on the Implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325. In the same year, TCC also participated in the WHO's meeting on mental health and psychosocial support stakeholders in Liberia.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In 2014 and 2015, TCC co-sponsored events on due diligence, discrimination against women and women's rights along with the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, Bangkok and the Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights (OHCHR) convening election practitioners and human rights experts. TCC also collaborated with United Nations Electoral Assistance Division to promote endorsement of the Declaration of Principles for International Election Observation. It supported the United Nations Mission in Liberia's Justice Office and the Ministry of Justice to develop a national legal aid policy and partnered with UNICEF, the government, and stakeholders to mobilize the chieftaincy network to combat Ebola and measles.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The Trachoma Control Program strategy of Surgery, Antibiotics, Facial Cleanliness and Environmental Improvement (SAFE) impacted the overall

achievement of the MDGs. TCC's Guinea Worm Eradication Program contributed to goals 1, 2, 6 and 7 of the MDGs due to the global reduction of the number of new cases by 96% from 542 cases reported in 2012 to only 22 reported in 2015. TCC's Lymphatic Filariasis Program addressed goal 1 in Ethiopia and Nigeria by directly treating soil-transmitted helminths. TCC promoted goal 8 by forging partnership with established companies such as Merck KGaA and Pfizer Inc.

6. Children International

Special, 2008

Introduction

Children International (CI) is a non-governmental humanitarian organization focused on ending poverty by helping children and youth. CI works in Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, India, Mexico, Philippines, the United States of America and Zambia.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CI's vision is that every child graduates from its programme healthy, educated, employed and empowered to break the cycle of poverty. The vision is achieved by focusing on developing healthy habits and connecting children with services, sponsoring the schooling of students by providing fees, uniforms, supplies, tutoring and scholarships, and educating teens with life skills including leadership, conflict resolution and technical skills.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In the framework of the post-2015 Development Agenda, CI facilitated the "World We Want E-Consultation with Children" and also worked UNICEF on a policy paper titled "Child sensitive accountability and the post-2015 agenda." This paper was presented at multiple United Nations' conferences, posted on several United Nations-affiliated websites and shared with the Transparency, Accountability and Participation network (TAP).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

CI regularly raises awareness on United Nations observances through press releases, social media and commemorates the International Women's Day, International Day of the Girl Child, World Water Day, International Youth Day, and International Day for the Eradication of Poverty. Additionally, CI was represented at the Children and Youth Finance International (CYFI) Youth Meeting held at the United Nations Headquarters from 21 to 23 May 2014 in New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

CI has been active in the post-2015 Development Agenda by attending weekly conference calls as part of the Policy Strategy Group (PSG) and liaising with the Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth. After Typhoon Haiyan hit the Philippines in 2013, CI supported UNICEF to man the Child Protection Processing Center at the Villamor Airbase and assisted in the recovery process. Additionally, CI invested in UNICEF's approach of child-friendly spaces working with schools and communities to provide safe spaces for children.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

CI's programmes primarily focus on helping children and youth become healthy, educated, empowered and eventually employed. In support of the MDGs, CI launched various initiatives to promote gender equality and community clean-up initiatives towards environmental sustainability and disease prevention.

7. China Association for Science and Technology

Special, 2004

Introduction

China Association for Science and Technology (CAST) is an umbrella organization based in China, composed of various academic and professional societies in the field of science and technology.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CAST aims to serve economic and social development by convening international exchanges fostering innovation in sciences and technology; disseminating knowledge and promoting scientific thinking and methods; encouraging participation in the formulation of national policies on science and technology; and promoting international cooperation.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

A CAST representative was selected as a member of the United Nations Secretary-General Science Advisory Board and provided scientific inputs to the Post-2015 Development Agenda discussion.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Between 2012 and 2015, CAST convened side events/workshops on various themes covering internet governance, big data initiatives, green economy, climate change and resilience. Representatives actively attend various meetings organized by the United Nations including the Conference on Parties (COP) on climate change

and the Annual Internet Government Forum (IGF). Additionally CAST participated in the following meetings:

- XIX international AIDS conference hosted by the World Health Organization (WHO) Washington DC, July 22t to 27 2012;
- 13th World Congress on Public Health, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 23 to 27 April 2012;
- 11th International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific in Bangkok, Thailand from 18 to 22 November 2013; and
- 20th International AIDS Conference in Melbourne, Australia, 20 to 25 July 2014.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Between 2012 and 2015, CAST collaborated with the United Nations Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) in the adolescents and non-formal education program assisting female adolescents adjust to workplace and urban life. It also collaborated with the United Nations Global Alliance for ICT and Development (UNGAID) to host the conference titled "Open Knowledge Environment for Improving the Delivering of Public Services — Joint Efforts from Scientific Communities and Local Governments" held in Beijing in September 2013. CAST collaborated with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) to convene a side event during the General Assembly High-level Meeting on the overall review of the implementation of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS+10) in New York on 14 December 2015.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

CAST launched various programs that contribute to the MDGs as listed below:

MDG 1: Program to target poverty alleviation via science and technology in 2015 targeting millions of impoverished people;

MDG 2: National Action Plan of Scientific Literacy for Chinese citizens to provide comprehensive impetus to the improvement of scientific literacy which benefited over 280 million individuals by end of 2014;

MDG 6: Program on AIDS prevention and control which involves more than 460 NGOs implementing over 760 projects in 30 provinces nationwide.

8. Ecumenical Federation of Constantinopolitans

Special, 2012

Introduction

The Ecumenical Federation of Constantinopolitans (EFC) is an association aimed to safeguard the autochthonous Greek Orthodox Community of Istanbul, Turkey. This minority international status is based on the Lausanne Treaty signed in 23 July 1923 under the auspices of League of Nations.

Aims and purposes of the organization

EFC aims to contribute to the survival of the Greek Orthodox Community of Istanbul. It also supports initiatives towards sustainable peace, prosperity and respect of human rights in Eastern Europe, Balkans and the Middle East.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Pursuant to the United Nations General Assembly Resolution 60/147, EFC promotes the development and implementation of the reparation measures following the consequences of human rights violations incurred to minority communities.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

EFC has participated in all minority forums held in Geneva between 2012 and 2015 and has contributed to the adherence of human and minority rights' issues through oral and written statements. In November 2015, EFC organized a side event at United Nations Headquarters during the 60th anniversary of the 6 and 7 September 1955 pogrom in Istanbul.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

EFC has established close cooperation with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) in Geneva, Switzerland.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

EFC developed an internet based distant education learning system for all courses of elementary schools in the Greek language, with plans to extend to English and Turkish. EFC also features an extensive scholarship program to support students enrolled in secondary schools and universities which include sensitizing them to the principles of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

9. Institute of International Social Development

Special, 2000

Introduction

The Institute of International Social Development (IISD) implements projects to empower people in rural, tribal and urban environments in India on all aspects of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). In addition to its head office in Kolkata, India, IISD also has branches in New York, Paris and Geneva.

Aims and purposes of the organization

The aims and purposes of IISD are to 'Build a Better World' through the awareness and implementation of the guiding principles of the United Nations. Its

slogan is "One Earth One Family" and its projects and programmes are geared towards the fulfilment of that ideal.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Under its literacy program, titled "Project Sushiksha", IISD distributed scholarships to support the education of eligible students and providing stationary supplies. IISD also conducted a healthcare program titled "Project Suswasthya" that provides healthcare to more than 5,000 families in the West Bengal province and facilitates potable water access, sanitation and environmental awareness initiatives. Additionally, IISD supported poor farmers by providing agricultural equipment and aided poverty struck families by installing roofs in their homes

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

IISD actively participates in meetings of the United Nations and provided statements to the 57th, 58th and the 59th session of the Commission on the Status of Women. Representatives also attended the 50th, 51st, 52nd and 53rd Session of the Commission for Social Development along with the 12th and 13th Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues. Additionally, IISD attended the following meetings in New York:

- High-level meeting of the General Assembly on the 25th anniversary of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, 20 November 2014;
- High-level event on the Millennium Development Goals and Post-2015 Development Agenda, 25 September 2013;
- Sixth session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities,17 to 19 July 2013 ; and
- International Migration and Development: High-Level dialogue on 3 and 4 October 2013 and Informal Interactive Hearings on 15 July 2013.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization partners with Global Compact of the United Nations.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

All the projects and programmes are geared to support and fulfil the Millennium Development Goals.

10. Intercambios Asociación Civil

Special, 2012

Introduction

Intercambios Asociación Civil (IAC) is an organization in Argentina that promotes the health and human rights of drug users through evidence-based programs.

Aims and purposes of the organization

IAC's main objectives are to:

- Develop interdisciplinary studies related to drug use from scientific and ethical perspectives;
- Disseminate information about legal and illegal drugs to steer public opinion toward a more reflective and responsible vision of drug use;
- Develop resources to drug using communities, professional outreach workers and peer educators;
- Design, implement, and evaluate prevention programs and community interventions;
- Develop a network of social services and resources that provide integrated services to drug affected people; and
- Develop the infrastructure for collaboration and cooperation between institutions, investigators and social activists.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

IAC contributed the work of the United Nations by publishing various studies to address the following issues in Argentina and Latin America: health policy on drugs; social and health care initiatives for people with drug related problems; HIV and Treponema pallidum prevalence in vulnerable populations; illicit drug users and State responses; and drugs laws and deprivation of liberty. Intercambios also developed drug use prevention programs in schools and poverty-stricken neighbourhoods in the Buenos Aires Metropolitan Area and held a media campaign and training project on reducing stigma and discrimination among drug users. IAC conducted on-line and residential courses and provided inputs to the comprehensive plans of action on drug problems along with convening four national conferences in Argentina and two conferences on drug policy in Colombia (2012) and Costa Rica (2014). IAC also annually commemorates the International Day against Drug Abuse and World AIDS Day.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

In addition to regularly attending the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and UNODC hosted Informal Consultations to Civil Society on Drug Use and HIV between 2013 and 2015, IAC representatives attended the following meetings:

- UNODC hosted Global Technical Meeting on Stimulants Use and HIV, Sao Paulo, Brazil, 25 to 27 January 2012;
- Southern Cone Regional Consultation on the UNAIDS Strategy 2016-2021, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 18 March 2015;
- High-level Thematic Debate in support of the 2016 Special Session of the General Assembly on the World Drug Problem, New York, 7 May 2015; and
- Regional Dialogue on Drug Use and HIV, Sao Paulo, Brazil, 22-23 June 2015.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Between 2014 and 2015, IAC collaborated with UNODC to improve drugs users' access to health care services in nine Argentine cities. Its representatives met with the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health, on violence and right to health of adolescents in Latin America and the Caribbean. In 2015, IAC was selected to be part of the Civil Society Task Force for the United Nations General Assembly Special Session 2016 representing Latin America and the Caribbean.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

No activities were specified.

11. International Association of Penal Law

Special, 1948

Introduction

The International Association of Penal Law (IAPL) seeks to promote the development of legislation and institutions towards a more humane and efficient administration of justice.

Aims and purposes of the organization

IAPL is guided by the principles established by the United Nations Charter and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. IAPL's studies and reforms are aimed at all principal systems of law, including codified laws and those under the jurisdiction of the common law as well as substantive and procedural international criminal law.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The Association orients its program according to the most crucial challenges in the field of penal law and contributes through scientific events furthering the aims of ECOSOC and in particular the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) in the areas of organized crime, prevention of terrorism and money laundering. AIDP organized the following meetings to advance on the agenda of the United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice:

- Information Technology and Criminal Policy — This meeting discussed findings of the Congress of the International Association of Penal Law in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, which was held on 30 August to 7 September 2014;
- Mutual Legal Assistance — Discussions were focused on the loopholes in existing legal frameworks and conventions; and
- Corruption — This session underlined important linkages between the criminal phenomenon and the systemic issue of institutional fraud bearing transnational effects.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

IAPL participated at the 13th United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice held in Doha, Qatar from 12 to 19 April 2015. Its representatives also attended the 24th Session of the Commission of Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice convened in Vienna, Austria from 18 to 22 May 2015 where proposals included establishment of a working group to discuss international cooperation on criminal matters.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

No activities were specified.

12. International Circle of Faith Chaplaincy Corps

Special, 2012

Introduction

The International Circle of Faith Chaplaincy Corps (ICFCC) is a grass-roots project implementation and religious organization that has 16 offices across Nigeria and presence in other African countries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

ICFCC focuses on: emergency relief assistance; education and material support to the needy; awareness creation on diseases and epidemics; community capacity enhancement for leadership and self-employment; psychological support to

families, widows, orphans and physically disadvantaged people; and peacebuilding via dialogue using Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) mechanisms.

Significant changes in the organization

Since gaining consultative status with ECOSOC, ICFCC has expanded its objectives to cover maternal and infant mortality, gender equality, ending discrimination against women, environmental sustainability, provision of potable water and poverty reduction.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

ICFCC hosted training in leadership and capacity building on 15 June 2014 in Adamawa State of Nigeria which gathered thousands of participants including security personnel and religious leaders and resulted in an outcome document titled the "Dynamic of Peace with ways to nip conflict in the bud". During hostilities caused by insurgents during the November 2014 crisis in the same region, ICFCC helped transport individuals to internally displaced person (IDP) camps along with provision of relief materials for inmates. ICFCC also supported the rights of the indigenous people by discussing the effects of colonization and post-independence government during a visit to a senior care facility in Abuja on 26 June 2015.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

ICFCC actively keeps abreast of the outcome of meetings organized by the United Nations including the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Open-ended Working Group on Ageing (OEWGA) and the Commission for Social Development, although it was not able to attend these meetings due to funding constraints.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

On 15 June, 2014, ICFCC completed a water borehole project in the Adamawa state of Nigeria where unsatisfactory sanitation conditions resulted in the high mortality rate of women and children. ICFCC also provided free medical and eye care facilities to hundreds of mothers and children.

13. International NGO Forum on Indonesian Development

Special, 2004

Introduction

International NGO Forum on Indonesian Development (INFID) is an association with 70 member organizations based in Indonesia, focused on gender equality, environmental sustainability, human rights and democracy, peacebuilding, children's rights and diversity.

Aims and purposes of the organization

INFID aims to promote democracy, well-being, equality, social justice and peace to guarantee the realization of human rights at the national and international levels through:

- Conducting public awareness on the values of human rights, democracy, equality, social justice and peace through education;
- Engaging in studies, policy reviews and dialogues to buttress policies that guarantee the fulfilment of human rights; and
- Cooperating with partners to build social solidarity at the national and international levels.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In support of the MDGs and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, INFID published various reports addressing social equality and civil society contribution to national development. INFID also convened a side event during the United Nations General Assembly on 23 September 2015, and held a series of discussions with civil society and government representatives in preparation of the background paper for the Third United Nations Conference on Financing for Development.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Along with actively pursuing and providing interactive hearings on the post-2015 Development Agenda, representatives attended the following meetings:

- 24th and 30th Session of the Human Rights Council, Geneva, Switzerland, 20 to 27 September 2013 and 16 to 24 September 2015;
- 68th United Nations General Assembly in New York, 19 to 29 September 2013;
- 108th Session of the Human Rights Committee, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Geneva, Switzerland, 23 May 2014;
- 52nd Session of the Committee of Economic Social and Cultural Rights (CESCR) Geneva, Switzerland, 26 April to May 3, 2014.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In 2012, INFID signed a memorandum of understanding with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) to counter illegal logging and linkages between forest crime and corruption.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

INFID hosted a global civil society organizations' preparatory meeting and stakeholder outreach for the post-2015 Development Agenda supported by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) convened in Bali, Indonesia from 23 to 25 March 2013. Also in 2013, INFID provided inputs to the national and local government addressing the maternal mortality rate and civil society contribution to the achievement of the MDGs.

14. International Organization for Victim Assistance

Special, 2012

Introduction

The International Organization for Victim Assistance (IOVA) was established to enhance national and international actions for victims of crime, violence and natural disaster. It was established in Oregon, United States of America with a worldwide mission.

Aims and purposes of the organization

IOVA's mission is to improve rights and services for victims of crime, violence and natural disaster as well as the prevention of victimization. It focuses on implementation of standards and resolutions emanating from the United Nations General Assembly Resolution 40/34 (1985) on Basic Principles of Justice for Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power. It acts as a catalyst for change using IOVA's expertise to promote effective policies, protocols and programmes through advocacy and action; develop education and training to make actions more trauma-informed, victim centred and culturally appropriate; collaborate on capacity building initiatives; provide direct emotional and psychological interventions; and encourage monitoring and evaluation of results.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

IOVA provided inputs to the draft of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime Handbook on Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power. It also encourages interest in a cogent draft for a convention to enhance the implementation of the United Nations General Assembly Resolution 40/34 (1985).

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

IOVA was represented at the 13th United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice organized in Doha, Qatar from 12 to 19 April 2015. Its president chaired the high level event titled "Why do victims matter: 30 years anniversary of the Declaration of the Basic Principles of Justice for Victims of Crime" attended by the United Nations Commission on Human Rights (UNCHR),

the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the World Health Organization (WHO), the International Criminal Court (ICC), as well as member states and non-governmental organizations.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

IOVA is a member of the Violence Prevention Alliance for the World Health Organization (WHO) which is a network comprised of member states, international agencies and civil society organizations working to prevent violence. The most recent meeting attended was on violence prevention and the 2030 agenda for sustainable development held at the World Health Organization (WHO) Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland from 19 to 21 September 2015. IOVA also co-organized major side-events on reparative justice during the 13th and 14th annual meetings of the International Criminal Court's (ICC) Assembly of State Parties' held on 12 December 2014 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York and on 21 November 2015 at the World Forum in The Hague, the Netherlands.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

IOVA has significantly engaged in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Millennium Development Goals (SDGs) by conducting activities to address violence against women and girls and improving access to justice. It is also promoting the importance of implementation through investments, partnerships and measurement of outcomes.

15. International Presentation Association

Special, 2000

Introduction

The International Presentation Association (IPA) is a network that collaborates to address the root causes of poverty and conducts activities in 23 countries across five continents.

Aims and purposes of the organization

IPA seeks to collaborate on partnership for global justice while addressing issues pertaining to indigenous peoples, women and children, human rights and environmentally sound and sustainable living conditions. IPA members respond to local needs through traditional schools, alternative education for children and adults, programs aimed at empowerment of people especially women and girls, migrants, nutritional programs, health care and promoting the use of green energy.

Significant changes in the organization

The organization has undergone a change of name from International Presentation Association of Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to International Presentation Association, Inc.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

IPA contributes towards advocacy of the United Nations as a member of the Non-Governmental Committee on Social Development, Financing for Development, Migration, and other key bodies. It conducted grassroots consultations on migration and published its findings titled "Empowering Migrants: A Win-Win Situation" along with related surveys and follow-ups. IPA sponsored participants from Australia, India, and Zambia to attend United Nations meetings including the First World Conference on Indigenous Peoples in 2014 and the 59th Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) in 2015.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Between 2012 and 2015, IPA representatives regularly participated in various high level events on migration and sustainable development including the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development in 2012 and the Workshop on Mainstreaming Sustainable Development into National Development Strategies organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) in 2013. Additionally, IPA members regularly attended and provided statements to the Commissions on Social Development, Commissions on Status of Women, Forums on Indigenous Peoples and the Commission of Social Development and Annual Ministerial Review.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

IPA has collaborated with United Nations bodies to organize side events during major conferences to include the 50th and 51st Session of the Commission for Social Development and 56th session of the Commission on the Status of Women. IPA submitted a report to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) on the Peruvian migrant situation in 2015 and a Universal Periodic Report (UPR) on the situation of women and girls in Papua New Guinea. Furthermore, IPA contributed USD $14,265.42 to a refugee program led by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in 2015.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

IPA contributed to the implementation of MDGs in the following countries: Australia, Bolivia, Canada, Ecuador, India, Ireland, New Zealand, Pakistan, the Philippines, Thailand, United States of America, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Zambia and Zimbabwe influencing a large constituency through awareness and advocacy programmes on MDGs, training in leadership, income generation, skills training, sustainable agriculture and microcredit techniques.